

David Allison – BS 1968, MA 1970 Psychology; BS 1976 Pharmacy

David Homer Allison, 76 of Mesa, AZ died on September 10th 2023, at Encompass Health of East Valley, following a short illness.

David was born to Homer and Grace (Putney) Allison in São Paulo, Brazil on August 28th, 1947. After returning from Brazil, the Allisons settled in Brawley, California where David completed his early education. He then moved to Fargo, ND to study psychology and sociology at North Dakota State University where his parents had also studied. After graduating from college, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. During this time, he married Kathleen (Helgeson) and had three sons. Following his career as Captain in the USAF, he obtained his degree in pharmacy, which he practiced for the rest of his life. His final position was with San Carlos Apache Healthcare in Peridot, AZ.

After 15 years of marriage, David and Kathleen divorced in 1983. David then married Nga (Dinh) in Minnesota in 1996. They remained in Minnesota until 2016, at which time they moved to Mesa, AZ. Nga has one son. David and Nga remained married until his death.

David was an avid reader and chess player and more than anything, he loved spending time at the family lake home in Minnesota. David loved the outdoors, whether it be jogging at the park, walking around the lake with his boys, or just going out on the boat. He also had a passion for finance and coin collecting. He enjoyed the simple pleasures of life most of all. If he had a lawn chair overlooking the lake, a book, and a cup of coffee, he could be happy forever. David touched the lives of many with his kindness, his patience, and his sense of humor.

David was a man of great faith. Shortly after marrying Nga, David converted to Catholicism and remained active in the Church until his death.

David is survived by his wife Nga (68, Mesa, AZ). Three sons: Rodney (53, Wilmington, NC) Bradley (45, Fargo, ND) and Thomas (43) his wife Andrea (Hawley, MN). His stepson Jeremy (30, Mesa, AZ). Five grandchildren: Jordan (27, Jacksonville, FL) Jakob (25, Colorado Springs, CO) Dania (10, Hawley, MN) Mary-Jane (4, Mesa, AZ) Jax (2, Mesa AZ). One brother Charles (83, San Francisco, CA) and one sister Susan (Allison) Simpson (66, Los Altos, CA).

He is preceded in death by his parents Homer and Grace (Putney) Allison. His sister, Elizabeth (Allison) Rogers and his stepmother, Gladys (Christiansen) Allison.

Visitation: Queen of Heaven Catholic Funeral Home, Mesa, AZ. Tuesday September 19th 5:00 - 8:00pm

<https://www.qohcfh.org>

Funeral: St. George Roman Catholic Parish, Apache Junction, AZ. Wednesday September 20th 11:00am

<https://stgeorgeaj.com>

Interment: Queen of Heaven Catholic Funeral Home, Mesa, AZ, Thursday September 28th.